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BEFORE THE

Federal Communications Commission

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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In the Matter of)

Amendment of Section 73.202(b),)
Table of Allotments,)
FM Broadcast Stations.)

(Sawpit, Colorado))

MM Docket No. 99-108
RM-9511

Directed to: Chief, Allocations Branch

COMMENTS ON PROPOSED RULE MAKING AND COUNTERPROPOSAL

These comments are filed in support of the Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket No. 99-108, RM-9511, by Mountain West Broadcasting, the petitioner in this matter. The facts and comments submitted in the original petition are hereby re-submitted by reference.

Sawpit, Colorado is a small community of 36 persons. It is incorporated, is has a Mayor and a town Clerk. It has a local restaurant and market. It does receive its mail from Placerville, Colorado. It also receives its fire service from Placerville. The petitioner hereby would like to propose that the Commission change its original town for allotment from Sawpit, Colorado to Placerville, or a dual community allotment of Placerville-Sawpit, Colorado. These two communities are separated by only four miles. Placerville has a population of 100 persons according to the Rand McNally road map. Placerville is not incorporated, but has a Post Office, market, and Volunteer Fire Department that serves both Placerville and Sawpit. It has a fire department auxiliary to support the local fire company.

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The petitioner would also like to re-submit its intent that it will file an application for Construction Permit to operate a new station for Sawpit, Colorado, Placerville, Colorado or Placerville-Sawpit, Colorado during any window filing period or its intent to participate in auction process the Commission may conduct for this channel. Mountain West Broadcasting would also expeditiously construct the station should his application be granted.

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that the proposed change to the FM Table of Allotments be adopted, and the Commission allot Channel 256C3 at Sawpit, Colorado or in the alternative, allot channel 256C3 to Placerville, Colorado or channel 256C3 to Placerville-Sawpit, Colorado.

Respectfully submitted,



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